

**STATE OF FLORIDA  
FLORIDA FISH AND WILDLIFE CONSERVATION COMMISSION**

**Order No. EO 10-38**

**Reopening of State Waters of the  
Gulf of Mexico that were closed in response to the  
Deepwater Horizon Oil Spill**

The Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission of the State of Florida, acting under the authority of Article IV, Section 9, of the Florida Constitution, through its Executive Director under Delegations of Authority Paragraph 17 and Paragraph 22 and Executive Order of the Governor Number 10-115, as amended, and in coordination with the Florida Department of Environmental Protection, the Florida Department of Health and the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, hereby rescinds provisions of Executive Order 10-29 that prohibited harvest and consumption of saltwater fish. This order does not apply to marine invertebrates.

1. State waters in the following described area are hereby reopened to all commercial and recreational harvest and consumption of saltwater fish:

All state waters seaward of the COLREGS demarcation line, encompassing an area from the Florida-Alabama border eastward to the Pensacola Beach water tower. This area is further described:

*Commencing at the edge of the Gulf of Mexico at Pensacola Beach at 87 degrees 8.48 minutes west longitude and 30 degrees 19.83 minutes north latitude; thence south to the limit of state jurisdictional waters of the Gulf of Mexico at 87 degrees 8.48 minutes west longitude and 30 degrees 10.66 minutes north latitude; thence in a westerly direction along the southern limit of state jurisdictional waters to the southwest corner of the closed area at 87 degrees 31.09 minutes west longitude and 30 degrees 7.53 minutes north latitude; thence north along the state line between Florida and Alabama to the edge of the Gulf of Mexico at Perdido Key at 87 degrees 31.09 minutes west longitude and 30 degrees 16.79 minutes north latitude; thence eastward along the barrier island beaches and COLREGS line to the point of commencement at Pensacola Beach.*

2. This order shall take effect at 12:01 a.m. on July 31, 2010.

Specific Authority: Article IV, Section 9, Florida Constitution

Law Implemented: Article IV, Section 9, Florida Constitution  
and 120.81(5), Florida Statutes

Effective Date: 12:01 a.m., July 31, 2010

Given under my hand and seal of the Florida  
Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission  
On this 30th day of July.

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_/signed/\_\_\_\_\_  
Agency Clerk

\_\_\_\_\_/signed/\_\_\_\_\_  
Nick Wiley, Executive Director